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- 1. The strength of the revolutionary groups under Elisec Velasques in the llanes region of Colombia does not exceed 1,500 men. The men are divided into seven groups, locations of which vary from time to time. They are armed with rifles, pistols, and some small machine guns.
- 2. It is known that Eliseo Velasquez has been wounded in one arm. The report that his wife and several children recently arrived in Caracas seeking refuge is being interpreted in official Colombian Army circles in Bogota as an indication that Velasques himself is about to flee to Venezuela.
- Some months ago, in about March 1950, the Liberal National Directorate denied financial support to the revolutionaries in the llanos.
- The clandestine leaflets which have been circulating in Bogota, purportedly signed by Eliseo Velasquez as Chief of the General Staff of the Army of National Liberation, are concocted by Eduardo Borda Zalamea, journalist and militant Liberal. The leaflets are printed on mimeograph machines at the Contraloria General de la Republica.
- The Mational Civil Registry in Bogota has advised its employees not to forward communications or instructions to its offices in the following fourteen . towns of the Department of Boyaca, Comisaria de Arauca and Comisaria de Casamare, because the towns are controlled by the revolutionaries under Eliceo Velasquez and the Civil Registry offices are therefore vacant.

Casanare

Boyaca

Arauca

Numchia

Pisba

Tame

Orocue Tamara Paya

Marroquin Moreno

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Pore

Zapatosa Trinidad

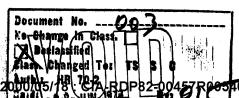
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These towns are all small. Nunchia, Tamara and Marroquin have more than 1,000 population; the remainder are under 1,000.*

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Comment. Efforts to determine through that the above towns have been or are still occupied by the llanos revolutionaries have been unsuccessful. It is considered true that the civil registries are vacant because of disturbances in the recent past.

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